

Proposed Bill No. 686

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:

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AN ACT CONCERNING ACCESS TO HEALTH AND NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION IN RESTAURANTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That title 19a of the general statutes be amended to require that any 2 restaurant or other retail food establishment that is part of a chain of 3 restaurants or establishments with at least ten different locations 4 within the United States shall be required to make available to 5 consumers information about nutritional information for all standard food and beverage items it offers for sale as follows: (1) On printed 6 7 menus, such establishments shall list the total number of calories, 8 saturated and trans fat, carbohydrates and sodium per serving for each menu item; (2) on menu boards, such establishments shall list the total 10 number of calories per serving for each menu item, adjacent to such 11 menu item; and (3) information about saturated and trans fat, 12 carbohydrates and sodium for items listed on menu boards shall be 13 made available to consumers upon request.

Statement of Purpose:

To educate consumers about the nutritional content of menu items before they order.